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COURAGEOUS

Was the Death of Pope Leo XIII., Lion of the Church.

After Many Days of Suffering He Sank Serenely Into Eternity.

Exchanged the Earthly Tiara For the Heavenly Crown He Well Earned.

LAST MOMENTS OF DYING PONTIFF

His Holiness Pope Leo XIII. died in the Vatican at 4:04 o'clock on Monday afternoon. He had suffered a severe attack of pleuro-pneumonia on July 3, which continued seventeen days. His physicians declare, however, that his death was more due to exhaustion and to the inevitable decay of tissues that follows ninety-three years of life. As soon as convenient after death his body was placed on a bier beside the bed he had occupied for twenty-five years. His emaciated form was screened by a red damask coverlet. A Cardinal's scarlet cape was placed about his shoulders and on his head was the Papal hood of velvet. In his folded hands was placed a crucifix, the last thing he looked upon in life. His body was guarded during the night by the noble Swiss guard, while Franciscans prayed silently about his bier.

During his seventeen days of illness Pope Leo suffered excruciating torments. Thrice he had to be operated upon in order to be relieved of the serum that had collected on his lungs. He was conscious almost to the last, and only an hour before his death he said to Pio Centra, his faithful servant, "The pain I suffer is most terrible."

The cablegrams inform us that even after that, although suffering intense physical anguish, he raised his enfeebled hand from time to time and murmured benedictions upon his nephews and the Cardinals who knelt around his bedside. His last conscious look was directed toward the ivory crucifix hanging in his chamber. Suffering and dying, he blessed his people as he sank into eternity. May his soul rest in peace.

On Tuesday the Sacred College of Cardinals assembled to pronounce the Pope officially dead. After this function the body of the dead Pope was borne to the small throne room adjoining the death chamber. There it was embalmed and clothed in proper garments. Later the remains were carried to St. Peter's Cathedral, where he had raised his hand so often in blessing thousands upon thousands of his people. There the body will lie in state until Wednesday of next week. During the intervening nine days the funeral ceremonies will continue. On the ninth day the body will be borne to the Basilica of St. John, where it will be consigned to the tomb.

Dr. Lapponi, the Pope's faithful physician, tells us: "Death occurred through exhaustion, although in the last two hours our Holy Father made a supreme effort to gather his energies. As his sight was nearly gone he succeeded in recognizing those about him by their voices. He made a marvelous display of his energy and his death was really grand. It was resigned, calm and serene. Very few examples can be given of a man of such advanced age after so exhaustive an illness showing such supreme courage in dying."

As soon as Dr. Lapponi saw that the Pope was dead he approached the lighted candle three times to the mouth of the dead Pontiff, in accordance with the traditional ceremonial. Then he declared the Holy Father dead. After this he notified Cardinal Oreglia, the dean of the Sacred College. Cardinal Oreglia at once assumed full control of affairs and directed that the Vatican be cleared of all persons who had no official business there. As dean of the Sacred College Oreglia will continue in charge of affairs until the next Pope is elected. Cardinal Oreglia is seventy-four years old and is universally recognized on account of his piety, austere life and scholarship.

After Dr. Lapponi had notified Cardinal Oreglia of the Pope's death he in turn notified the other Cardinals in the Vatican, who in their turn notified various prelates, attendants and newspapermen. In less time than it takes to tell it the news had been flashed to the four quarters of the globe. The monarchs of the old world and the Presidents of the new were informed of the death of the Pope, but probably before the heads of the various Governments heard the news the people learned of it through the newspapers. Everywhere expressions of regret were heard and in Catholic families prayers were offered for the repose of his soul.

While the news was being flashed over the world the people of Rome assembled around the entrance to the Vatican. The Italian Government quickly hurried several companies of soldiers to reinforce the Noble Guard. The Italian soldiers and police maintained order outside, while the Noble Guard took charge on the interior of the Papal palace. Italian princes, monks and nuns of various orders, and not only the middle and aristocratic people of Rome, but the working men and women, hurried to St. Peter's and there offered up prayers for the faith-

ful soul who had governed the church so long, so faithfully and so well.

In America the news was received before noon owing to the difference of time between Rome and the new world. Monsignor Falconio, the Apostolic Delegate at Washington, was unofficially notified by a newspaperman at 12:45 o'clock. At 4:45 he was officially notified by Cardinal Rampolla, the Papal Secretary of State. Monsignor Falconio at once called a reply, in which he expressed the belief that Pope Leo's death was received with universal grief in the United States of America. The Papal Delegate then sent the following telegram to every Archbishop and Bishop in the United States:

Apostolic Delegation, United States of America, Washington, D. C., July 20, 1903.—Your Lordship: It is my painful duty to convey to you the sad intelligence of the death of our Holy Father, the Pope, which occurred today. As in life, so in death, the august Pontiff has shown such wonderful example of serious thought, of determination of character, of sweetness of heart piety and Christian fortitude as to evoke in all lands the most striking manifestation of reverence and respect.

Leo XIII. is dead. In him the world has lost a profound scholar, a distinguished statesman, a lover and protector of right and justice; has lost one whose power for amelioration of society has been exercised with such consummate skill and earnestness as to be felt everywhere and to gain for him universal admiration. Hence his death is deplored by all without distinction of nationality or creed.

However, for us Catholics the loss is greater, and consequently still more keenly felt. In Leo XIII., besides the scholar, the statesman, the philanthropist, we have lost our spiritual father, the supreme pastor of our church; him who, during his long pontificate, has watched with incessant solicitude for our spiritual welfare and has spared no labor to proclaim Divine Master. His reign recalls to our mind the brightest days of the Papacy. His noble figure has earned one of the most glorious places in history.

While we bow reverently before the remains of our august Pontiff and deplore the great loss which his death has caused to the church, let public and private prayers be raised to heaven in every diocese and in every parish for the eternal repose of that noble soul. As to the public prayers, your lordship may prescribe such suffrages as your piety may inspire. With sentiments of highest esteem and profound respect, I beg leave to remain your devoted servant in Christ.

D. FALCONIO, Delegate Apostolic. The State Department of the United States Government, through Secretary John Hay, sent a message to Cardinal Rampolla in which he stated that President Roosevelt desired him to express the profound sense of loss which the Christian world has sustained in the death of Leo XIII. Similar messages were conveyed to Cardinal Rampolla from all the civilized nations of the earth.

LONG SUFFERING

Ends In Death of Archbishop Frederick Katzer of Milwaukee.

The Most Rev. Frederick Katzer, Archbishop of Milwaukee, died at St. Agnes' Convent, Fond du Lac, Wis., on Monday night. He had been ill since 1902, and went to Fond du Lac several months ago for rest and treatment. A week ago his condition became critical, since which time he sank gradually. His death was not unexpected. Archbishop Katzer's remains will be buried in Milwaukee.

Frederick Xavier Katzer was born in Austria fifty-nine years ago. His early education was under the care of the Jesuits. When he was twenty years old he came to America, where he completed his studies for the priesthood at the Seminary of St. Francis in Milwaukee. He was ordained in 1866 and at once assigned to duty as professor of mathematics in the seminary. Later he was made professor of theology and philosophy in the same seminary. In 1876 he was made pastor of the Cathedral at Green Bay, and Secretary to Bishop Krautbauer, who died in 1885. In 1886 Father Katzer became Bishop of Green Bay, and in 1890, on the death of Archbishop Heiss, he was appointed Archbishop of Milwaukee. He was a learned and a holy man.

GREAT SUCCESS

Fortunate Prize Winners at the Picnic For St. Paul's Church.

The picnic given at Phoenix Hill Park Tuesday night for the benefit of St. Paul's church, at Jackson and Kentucky, was an unqualified success in every particular. The Rev. Father Thomas York can feel justly proud of his congregation.

The tickets which won prizes are as follows:
No. 2,790, cabinet grand piano.
No. 3,041, velvet carpet.
No. 4,265, lady's gold watch.
No. 870, boy's gold watch.
No. 395, bicycle.
No. 782, girl's gold cross.
Persons holding the winning tickets are invited to call at Father York's residence at their earliest convenience, when upon presentation of their tickets they will receive their respective prizes.

LAST PICTURE OF THE DEAD POPE

TAKEN IN THE VATICAN GARDEN.



INTERESTING TALKS

Made at the Regular Meeting of Division 2 Friday Night.

Division 2, Ancient Order of Hibernians, held a rousing meeting on Friday night and its members expressed their hearty approval of the work that is being done by the State Board. In fact no division in the city surpasses Division 2 in the general work of building up the order. John J. Sullivan and Patrick Connoughton both made brief addresses commending the State Board for its work in general and for its enterprise in organizing the ladies' auxiliary. Both addresses met with the hearty approval of all present.

County President Pat Sullivan was a

welcome visitor. Charles J. Obst, a member who had been missed from several of the past meetings, received a hearty greeting when he appeared. President Con Ford was in the chair and dispatched business with his customary good sense and enthusiasm. Tom Conway, Edward Madigan and Dan McKenna were warmly welcomed. They had each been ill during several previous meetings. John Mooney was reported upon favorably and elected to membership. State Secretary Meenan made a splendid talk for the welfare of the order. The meeting was most satisfactory.

HEALTH IMPROVED.

The Very Rev. Father Westerman, pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, and the Very Rev. Father Paul Alf, pastor of St. Boniface's church, who have been sojourning at Mount Clemens, Mich., during the past month, have returned home. Both are greatly improved in health.

ORPHANS' FESTIVAL

Was Postponed Until Next Week of Out Respect to the Pope.

The festival for the children and friends of St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum, which was to have been held on the asylum grounds at Crescent Hill on Wednesday of the present week, has been postponed until Thursday of next week. The German Catholics of Louisville take excellent care of their orphans, and, be it said to the credit of the trustees of the St. Joseph's Orphans' Society, they were the first Catholic body in Louisville to take official cognizance of the death of Pope Leo. The gentlemen composing this board of trustees met at once and decided to postpone the festival

out of respect to the memory of our late Holy Father. This action met with the approval of the Right Rev. Bishop and the clergy.

It has now been determined to hold the festival next Thursday, July 30. The festival will begin at 9 o'clock in the morning and will continue all day and in the evening. The East Jefferson and Crescent Hill cars pass right in front of the asylum grounds. The children of the asylum will lend their aid in entertaining the visitors with songs and recitations, and besides the Concordia Singing Society will be present throughout the festival to sing many of its popular numbers. Professor Eichhorn's band of twenty members will be present all day and in the evening to discourse appropriate music. A feature of the festival will be the "Dr. Lammers' Carnival Company." Among those who will appear in the carnival are Mrs. George Krippenstapel, Miss Ada Cunningham, Wempe children, Messrs. Ben Speaker, Michael Reichert, Jake Graft, Jake Ulmer, Joe Crush in a club swinging act, Peter Schrek, Andy Jones, Sam Merrifield, John Gelsner, Clem Booker, Sylvester Grove and others.

A good old-fashioned German dinner and supper will be served by the lady friends of the St. Joseph's Orphan Society. Special care will be taken to serve supper for all present, no matter how large the crowd. There will be candles and toys for the children, and all who attend are assured a good time. Ben Schieman will run the "wheel of good luck" and Joe Stenier will run the "wheel of fortune." A tin type photograph gallery will be another feature. It will be in charge of George Bohr and his committee. Great interest is being taken in this forthcoming festival by German, Irish and American Catholics, who desire to assist an institution that is doing so much for God's little ones.

The Rev. Father William Gausepohl, one of the most beloved priests in the diocese, has consented to deliver an address during the afternoon. In fact every feature of the forthcoming festival will be attractive. As it is all for the orphans the Irish-Americans will certainly vie with the German-Americans in making this festival a success.

BASKET PICNIC

Planned by the Members of Mackin Council Promises to Be a Success.

Mackin Council, Young Men's Institute, held its regular meeting on Tuesday night. First Vice President Louis Borntraeger occupied the chair in the absence of President Frank Murphy. The Visiting Committee reported that no member of the council was ill. Ben Sands, George Lautz and William Kerberg were appointed a committee to devise ways and means for the most suitable manner of celebrating the tenth anniversary of Mackin Council on September 9.

The death of Pope Leo XIII. was called to the attention of the council. It was decided to drape the club house in mourning out of respect to his memory. James Coleman, Frank Adams and George Lautz were appointed to draft resolutions on the Pope's death.

Of course the main feature of the evening was the discussion of the arrangements for the picnic to be held at Sugar Grove on August 3. It has been decided to make it an old-fashioned basket picnic. The committee in charge is leaving nothing undone to give all who attend a splendid opportunity for outdoor enjoyment in a real old-fashioned way. Tickets will be twenty-five cents each and will be sold only at the wharf. The boat will leave the Portland wharf at 8 o'clock sharp in the morning and at 1 o'clock sharp in the afternoon. The same boats will leave the New Albany wharf at 8:15 a. m. and 1:15 p. m. Every member of Mackin Council has determined to make this picnic a success.

GOOD SHOWING

Made by New Albany Council of the Young Men's Institute.

Unity Council, Young Men's Institute, of New Albany, held a rousing meeting Tuesday night. President Charles Pfeffer was in the chair. The application of Charles Kraus was received and referred to a committee. J. Francis O'Brien, John Haller and Joseph Kleer were reported ill. A communication was read announcing that Charles Melcher, now employed at Birmingham, Ala., had lost a finger in an accident. The report of the Treasurer showed a balance of \$1,700 on hand at the close of the last quarter.

The Picnic Committee's report showed that the receipts from the picnic at Sugar Grove on June 1 was \$287.02. Charles Cheap and Con J. McBarron were elected delegates to the Grand Council. Fred Kurtzendorfer and Ben Gilderhaus were elected alternates. Ed Graf, Theodore Kupper and John Martel were appointed as members of the Investigating Committee for the next quarter. Con J. McBarron was elected Marshal and Louis Glass Outside Sentinel to fill unexpired terms.

Before adjourning Unity Council decided to have a mass of requiem celebrated for the repose of the soul of our Holy Father Leo XIII. A committee was appointed to draft appropriate resolutions on the Pope's death and to drape the charter in mourning.

Several members are out for the Kentucky Irish American prize.

EXPRESSIONS

From All Classes Show Sympathy Over the Death of Pope Leo.

Tributes Are Alike in Praise of His Scholarly Attainments and Piety.

American Hierarchy Praises the Dead Pontiff's Devotion to America.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE

King and Emperor, prince and potentate, President and citizen, millionaire and pauper, all alike pay tribute to the dead Pope Leo XIII. That he was the greatest man of his time there can be no doubt. In scholarship, in diplomacy, in promoting education and reform, in statesmanship, in religion, the dead prelate and visible head of the church was without a peer. His worth was recognized by the leaders of thought and action and upon all sides his memory is blessed.

Our own Chief Executive of the nation, President Roosevelt, instructed Secretary of State Hay to convey his expression of condolence to Cardinal Rampolla, the Papal Secretary of State, which he did in the following words: "By his lofty character, his great learning and his comprehensive charity, he adorned his exalted station and made his reign one of the most illustrious, as it has been one of the longest, in the history of the Catholic church."

Emperor William of Germany, now sojourning in Norway, in a message to the Sacred College of Cardinals, said: "I shall always retain a faithful memory of the exalted and venerable man who was a personal friend of mine, and whose extraordinary gifts of heart and mind compelled my admiration anew only a few weeks ago, on the occasion of my last visit to Rome."

The Italian Government, which does not recognize the temporal power of the Pope, paid tribute to the Papacy by ordering railroad officials to see that Cardinals visiting Rome were treated as princes of royal blood and that reserved compartments or salon cars be placed at their disposal. Besides all the Government officials have been ordered to place themselves at the disposal of the Cardinals if they are requested to do so.

Cardinal Gibbons, who had been in Paris since Friday, left for Rome on Tuesday after he had been officially notified of the Pope's death.

Archbishop Ireland, of St. Paul, who was one of the closest friends of Pope Leo among the members of the American hierarchy, paid a high tribute to the dead Pontiff when he learned of his death. In part he said: "The extraordinary, the unparalleled interest with which the world this last fortnight kept vigil around the Vatican, where the old hero battled dramatically with death, is the magnificent tribute to Leo which nothing could have evoked save unusual grandeur of soul and unusual feats, the offering of that grandeur. Great and good, Leo truly was fashioned so by nature and by grace divine. He lived and worked purely for God and for men. He met kings and peasants, men of highest social rank and of lowest all bowed before his graciousness and whispered to him words of affection and devotion. The age owes much to him. He was the powerful exponent of the mighty power of the whole Catholic church into its lines of onward march. With Leo there dies the admirer and the lover of America. In numerous Protestant churches kindest mention was made of Leo from the pulpit and prayers for him went up to heaven from the lips of ministers and congregations. The Catholic church, America, humanity, bid Leo a loving farewell."

Archbishop Farley, of New York, says: "The history of his pontificate with its marvels and its blessings point to Leo XIII. as having been pre-eminently a chosen instrument in the hands of divine providence. With what emotion do I recall the words that fell from those venerable lips as I bade him farewell at the end of a memorable audience after he had listened to an account of the progress of the church in this, our diocese, during his own lifetime. 'Ah,' he said, 'amid many trials America is its great men. The heroic battle which the Pope fought against death and his final dissolution have to a great extent wiped out the sectarian differences among the Christian churches of the world and brought their members closer in mutual sympathy.'"

Archbishop Elder, of Cincinnati, when informed of the Pope's death was visibly affected. He is, since the death of the Pope, the oldest living prelate. Archbishop Elder said of Leo XIII.: "He has indeed been a light from heaven, which motto he bears, and has guided the church through the perils that have beset her with a master hand and mind."